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FBI Report on Nikolay Braznovich BARANOVSKIY

Interview based on allegation from Boris ARKHIPOV alleging BARANOVSKIY was a Soviet agent; that BARANOVSKIY is in contact with various individuals who were somehow connected with the Soviets and known Soviet agents.

Under a heading, Boris ARKHIPOV, BARANOVSKIY reported that...an individual by the name of LARIONOV, worked for BARANOVSKIY prior to ARKHIPOV's leaving for Athens [1946-47]. At the time, according to BARANOVSKIY, ARKHIPOV told LARIONOV that he was working for an intelligence service in West Germany and asked LARIONOV to work for him. LARIONOV declined the offer.

Heading, Victor LARIONOV. BARANOVSKIY stated that LARIONOV is a former officer of the White Russian Army. He immigrated to Paris where he entered an organization called ROVS (Rossiysky Obrony Voensky Soюз - Russian Defence Military Organization). This organization was made up of veterans of VRANGEL's army. In 1933 LARIONOV went to the Soviet Union where he organized a plot against the communists. He succeeded in fleeing from Russia and in reaching Helsinki, Finland. In 1936, French Prime Minister Blum signed a treaty with the Soviets. BARANOVSKIY stated that there was alleged to have been a secret clause in this treaty, according to which the anti-communist leaders in France could be arrested. As a result of this LARIONOV fled to Germany. During World War II LARIONOV joined the Army of General VLASOV. At the capitulation of the German Army LARIONOV was in the French Zone. In 1948 he started to work for BARANOVSKIY's organization. According to BARANOVSKIY, LARIONOV is not a political figure. His political leanings were toward the MILGUN organization. As of November 1951, LARIONOV was still residing in Germany.

See EGMA 10434, 21 Mar 54 (Larionov fled)
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